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and the bags or bales in each lot readily checked. If tiered the bags or bales may be stored in double rows but one end of each bag so tiered shall face an aisle. Bulk wool shall be so stored that it may readily be measured and the quantity therein estimated. To each lot whether of bagged, baled, or bulk wool shall be secured a tag, which shall always be accessible and plainly visible, showing the lot or pile number and the number of bags or bales and, if bulk wool, the pounds of wool therein. For any wool which has been temporarily removed from a lot for display, sampling, or other purposes proper notation shall be made on the reverse side of the lot tag showing the quantity so removed and its location. Such notation shall be stricken out upon the return of the wool to its lot.

§ 738.36 Wet or fire-damaged wool.

A warehouseman shall not store any wool that is excessively wet in contact with any other wool in the warehouse. A warehouseman shall not store in the same compartment with wool that has not been damaged by fire any bag or lot of wool that has been damaged by fire until the fire-damaged wool has been removed from the bag or lot, and then he shall not store it in contact with wool that has not been so damaged.

§ 738.37 Care of wool and other commodities.

(a) Each warehouseman shall at all times, including any period of suspension of his license, exercise such care in regard to wool in his custody as a reasonably careful owner would exercise under the same circumstances and conditions. The warehouseman shall not handle or store wool in such manner as may tend to injure or damage the wool.

(b) If, at any time, a warehouseman shall handle or receive wool otherwise than as a licensed warehouseman, or shall handle or store any other commodity, he shall so protect the same and otherwise exercise such care with respect to it as not to endanger the wool in his custody as a licensed warehouseman or impair the insurance thereon or his ability to meet his obligations and perform his duties under

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the act and the regulations in this part.

§ 738.38 Warehouse to be kept clean.

Each warehouseman shall keep his warehouse clean and free from trash, dust, rubbish, and scattered wool. He shall also exercise every precaution to keep his warehouse free of moths and other pests.

§ 738.39 Business hours.

(a) Each warehouse shall be kept open for the purpose of receiving wool for storage and delivering wool out of storage every business day, excepting Saturdays when the period may be shorter, for a period of not less than 6 hours between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) If the warehouse is not kept open regularly as required in paragraph (a) of this section, the warehouseman shall keep conspicuously posted on the door of the public entrance to his office and to his warehouse a notice showing the hours during which the warehouse will be kept open and the name of an accessible person, with the address where he is to be found, who shall be authorized to deliver wool stored in such warehouse, upon lawful demand by the depositor thereof or the holder of the receipt therefor.

§ 738.40 Excess storage.

If at any time a warehouseman is offered wool in such quantity that to store it would result in exceeding his licensed capacity, he shall so arrange the wool as not to obstruct free access thereto and the proper use of sprinkler or other fire protection equipment provided for such warehouse and shall immediately apply to the Administrator to have the licensed capacity increased. Until such increase is granted, no receipt shall be issued for such wool.

§ 738.41 Removal of wool from warehouse.

Unless it becomes absolutely necessary to protect the wool, no wool covered by receipts issued under the act shall be removed from a warehouse, except as provided in § 738.42, and immediately upon any such removal the

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warehouseman shall notify the Administrator of such removal and the necessity therefor.

§ 738.42 Delivery of wool.

Except as may be provided by law or by the regulations in this part, each warehouseman (a) upon proper presentation of a receipt for commingled wool and upon payment or tender of all advances and legal charges shall deliver to the lawful holder of such receipt wool of the kind, grade, quantity, and approximate shrinkage named in such receipt or in the grade certificate covering the particular lot of wool specified by the receipt, and (b) upon proper presentation of a receipt for any wool, the identity of which was to be preserved during the storage period, and upon payment or tender of all advances and legal charges, shall deliver to the person lawfully entitled thereto the identical wool so stored in his warehouse.

§ 738.43 Signers of warehouse receipts; filing names.

Each warehouseman shall file with the Department the name and genuine signature of each person authorized to sign warehouse receipts for the warehouseman, and shall promptly notify the Department of any changes as to person authorized to sign and shall file the signatures of such persons, and each warehouseman shall be bound by such signatures the same as if he had personally signed the receipt.

§ 738.44 Weighing apparatus; examination.

Any weighing apparatus used for ascertaining the weight stated in a receipt or certificate issued for wool stored in a warehouse shall be subject to examination by any officer or agent of the Department. If the Department shall disapprove any such weighing apparatus, it shall not thereafter, unless such disapproval be withdrawn, be used in ascertaining the weight of any wool for the purposes of the act and the regulations in this part.

§ 738.45 Reporting fire losses.

If at any time a fire occurs at or within any licensed warehouse, it shall be the duty of the warehouseman to re-

port immediately the occurrence of such fire and the extent of damage to the Administrator.

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§ 738.46 License fees.

(a) Fees are collected in advance for each original, amended, modified, extended, reinstated, or duplicate warehouseman's license; and for each original, duplicate, or modified license issued to inspect, sample, grade, classify, or weigh commodities.

(b) Fee changes, if applicable, will be announced by Notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER on or before July 1, and effective the following October 1.

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§ 738.47 Warehouse annual and inspection fees.

Warehousemen must pay:

(a) An annual fee which will be determined by computing the capacity for each warehouse location under a single license and adding those amounts together to determine the total due. The fee will be assessed and payable when the warehouse bond is furnished in accordance with these regulations, for acceptance by the Secretary and annually thereafter on the bond renewal date. The capacity for each identifiable location will be determined by the Secretary. The total capacity of all locations may not exceed the capacity stated in the current license. An identifiable location is a fully functional public warehouse as determined by the Secretary. The annual fee a licensed warehouseman is assessed may be adjusted by the amount Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) pays, if CCC has a storage contract or agreement with the warehouseman.

(b) An inspection fee for each original and amendment inspection.

(c) An inspection fee at the rate of 100 percent of the annual fee charged warehouses without a CCC storage contract or agreement, in all cases where the license has been suspended and the warehouseman has requested reinstatement. No fee will be charged if the Secretary determines that the suspension was not justified.